

REMARKS

Applicant elects the claims identified under Group I (claims 1-10 and 16-28) with traverse. Applicant respectfully submits that the rationale used in support of the restrictions is misplaced because the cited portions of the '935 reference do not disclose, teach or suggest the indicated linking features as suggested. For example, the '935 reference does not appear to disclose "applying a continuous sheet of water" as suggested and/or as claimed (*e.g.*, it appears that the '935 reference requires the use of spray nozzles such as nozzles 3 in FIG. 1). Applicant therefore submits that the restrictions should be withdrawn.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw the present restriction requirement(s) for examination of all the claims.

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